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SUBJECT: MRS. SADAT'S "PLAYGIRL" INTERVIEW

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1. WE HAVE DISCUSSED "PLAYGIRL" INTERVIEW AT LENGTH WITH MEMBERS OF EGYPTIAN EMBASSY STAFF. WHILE WE SHARE THEIR UNHAPPINESS OVER WHAT MAY HAVE BEEN MISREPRESENTATION BY JOURNALIST FREMON, WE BELIEVE THEY UNDERSTAND AND ACCEPT FACT THAT THERE IS LITTLE THAT CAN BE DONE IN PRESENT INSTANCE.

2. SMALL COMFORT MIGHT BE TAKEN FROM FACT THAT THUS FAR OTHER MEDIA HAS NOT PICKED UP FACT OF INTERVIEW AS "NEWS ITEM". WE HAVE AGAIN REMINDED EGYPTIAN EMBASSY THAT NEA/P IS WILLING TO HELP VERIFY BONA FIDES OF JOURNALISTS
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AND MEDIA ORGANIZATIONS ABOUT WHICH EMBASSY MAY HAVE QUESTION. WE CAN ONLY HOPE THAT ONCE BURNED, EMBASSY IN FUTURE WILL BE TWICE WISE.

3. KENNEDY OF NEA/EGY WILL HAND CARRY COPY OF INTERVIEW WHICH, IN ITSELF, IS NONOBJECTIONABLE. VANCE

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